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School of Theatre Arts Presents Imaginative Comedy *Dead Man's Cell Phone*

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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—Illinois Wesleyan University's [School of Theatre Arts](#) will present Sarah Ruhl's imaginative comedy *Dead Man's Cell Phone* Oct. 4-9 at the Jerome Mirza Theatre at McPherson Hall (2 Ames Plaza East, Bloomington).

Dead Man's Cell Phone explores the paradox of modern technology's ability to both unite and isolate people in the digital age. The story begins in quiet café, when an agitated stranger finally answers a persistently ringing cell phone at a nearby table. The play was awarded a Helen Hayes Award, the Charles MacArthur Award for Outstanding New Play, in 2008.



Dani Snyder-Young, associate professor of theatre arts, will direct the production along with assistant director Jamie Kreppein '18. Cast members include: Hailey Lechelt '18 (Jean), Holden Ginn '18 (Dwight), Emily Hardesty '18 (Hermia), Jeffrey Keller '18 (Gordon), Elizabeth Ferris '17 (Mrs. Gottlieb), Shelby Moore '19 (Mysterious Woman), Ryann Chioda '18 (Chorus), and Cami Tokowitz '19 (Chorus).

Curtain is at 8 p.m. except for the matinee performance at 2 p.m. Oct. 9. Tickets are \$12 for Friday and Saturday, and \$10 for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at the [Jerome Mirza Theatre Box Office](#). For additional information, please contact the box office at (309) 556-3232.

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